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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner preliminarily amend the specification and claims of the instant application as indicated below.

In the Claims

Please add the following new claims:

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57. (New) A pad comprising a plurality of wet resilient wet-laid, textured, cellulosic tissue webs comprising hydrophilic papermaking fibers, said webs being joined together in a superposed relationship by adhesive means, said webs having a dry bulk of about 9 cubic centimeters per gram, a Wet Compressed Bulk of at least about 6 cubic centimeters per gram, said pad comprising a first outermost tissue web having an upper surface and a lower surface, the upper surface facing outward from said pad and having elevated and depressed regions and having hydrophobic matter selectively deposited on the elevated regions of said upper surface of the at least one outermost tissue web.
 58. (New) The pad of claim 57 wherein said tissue web is a through-dried tissue web.
 59. (New) The pad of claim 58 wherein said tissue web is uncreped.
 60. (New) The pad of claim 57 wherein the hydrophobic matter comprises a fibrous web.
 61. (New) The pad of claim 57 wherein the hydrophobic matter comprises hydrophobic synthetic fibers.